

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA

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The Board of Supervisors proclaims the 7th Annual County of Los Angeles Cesar Chavez Community Service Week: Monday, March 24 through Monday, March 31, 2008. This year's tribute is themed "A Day of Service" and commemorates Cesar E. Chavez' life of giving and bringing social justice to all people. The anniversary of his birth is Monday, March 31, 2008.

Within the County of Los Angeles, Cesar Chavez Community Service Week will reflect his commitment to serving others through a "day of service". The County's observance will consist of weekday volunteer opportunities for County employees at community centers, neighborhood organizations, parks, libraries, probation camps, animal shelters and a beach clean-up project.

In addition, County employees will continue the tradition of an annual, two-week Cesar Chavez Food Drive from Monday, March 17 through Monday, March 31, 2008. Last year, nearly 24,000 pounds of food items and products were donated by caring employees to the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank.

County departments are encouraged to once again tailor existing educational and cultural programming and activities to emphasize the mission and theme of Cesar E. Chavez Community Service Week.

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Yaroslavsky _____

Knabe _____

Antonovich _____

Burke _____

The Cesar Chavez curriculum will be used as part of this year's arts contest, a competition among youths at County Probation camps and schools. The Los Angeles County Librarian will ensure that the curriculum is accessible on its website for schools throughout the County.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors take the following actions:

- 1) Proclaim March 24 through March 31, 2008 as Cesar Chavez Community Service Week throughout Los Angeles County under the theme, "A Day Of Service"; and
- 2) Request the Director of the Office of Workplace Programs, Chief Executive Office, work with the Executive Office of the Board and County Departments to coordinate and support Cesar Chavez Community Service Week activities and volunteer opportunities for County employees; and
- 3) Request all Department Heads and Districts to promote awareness of the voluntary employee participation in Cesar Chavez Community Service Week activities in departmental newsletters, bulletin boards, and other forms of communication; and
- 4) Request that the County Librarian make its Cesar Chavez website curriculum accessible to schools Countywide.

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